



STAR of the SEA

a stewardship parish

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December 3rd, 2017 First Sunday of Advent (p4 in Red Missal)
Extraordinary Form: First Sunday of Advent (p137 in Black Missal)



Advent Happy New Year as we enter the First Sunday of Advent today! The readings and prayers in this first stage of Advent (until December 17) focuses us on Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. Let's not only pre-

pare for December 25 but for the day of our death or the end of the world, whichever comes first. The best way to prepare for the End is to be at Mass. Wouldn't that be the perfect place either to die or to see the Lord coming on the clouds of heaven in the *Parousia*? Where else would you want to be as the skies dissolve in fire and the planet shake itself to dust? I want to be at Mass when all this happens, don't you? Before I lived in San Francisco I used to think, as I drove into the city on the Bay Bridge, what if the Big One hits while I'm visiting the city today? The Big One will certainly hit someday, and we prepare for it best by attending now to the things of God, that is, the Holy Mass. **December 8** is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal feast of our nation (and so America's largest basilica is that of the Immaculate Conception in Washington). You have three Mass choices on this Holy Day of Obligation this Friday: 7:30am in Latin, noon in English, and (what I recommend) a Solemn High Mass at 6:30pm with three priests. Let us worship God rightly by honoring His Holy Mother as we commemorate her Immaculate Conception this Friday. **December 9** is the day we consecrate our

beloved State of California to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Inspired by a million Polish faithful who consecrated their country to Mary last month, a grassroots effort by Californians urges parishes to hold a noon Mass on December 9, the Feast of St. Juan Diego, with a rosary procession to the ocean, if possible. We thus consecrate our very shores, our country, from coast to coast, to God. Join us on Saturday at noon! **December 12** is Our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass is at 6:30pm, with Mexican dinner following. **December 4** is my birthday! I'm 56. Please pray for this old priest!
Fr. Joseph Illo



Our mission statement:
*to evangelize God's people
beginning with the gift of the
Holy Eucharist.*

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Office: M-F 8:30am-4:00pm.
Office closed 12:00-1:00pm
for Mass.

Weekend Masses

Sat Vigil 4:30pm, Sun 8am,
9:30am, 11:30am (Latin),
5pm (Latin), 7:30pm

Adoration

Tues. 8:30am 'til Saturday
4pm, Tuesday 7-8pm, Every
2nd Sunday 3:15-4:15pm

Daily Masses

Monday to Friday
7:30am (Latin) 12 Noon
Saturday 8:30am

Social Events

Parish BBQ: First
Sundays Young Adults
Tuesdays 7pm

Holy Day Masses

7:30am (Latin) 12 Noon,
5:30pm, 6:30pm (Latin
with choir)

Devotions to Jesus

Sacred Heart First Friday
after Noon Mass, Divine
Mercy Saturday at 3pm

Confessions

15 Minutes before every
Mass, Saturday 3:15-4:15 or
by appointment

Devotions to Mary

Perpetual Help Wednesday
after Noon Mass. Fatima First
Saturday after 8:30am Mass

NEWS

The Sunday Scriptures

by Fr. Joseph Illo **Watch!** (Isaiah 63:16-17, 19, 64:2-7, 1 Corinthians 1:3-9, Matthew 13:33-37)

On this First Sunday of Advent Jesus tells us to “watch” [exclamation point]. Jesus is serious, insistent, and urgent. You must not miss the Lord’s Second Coming. So are we “keeping watch” this Advent? Are we coming to daily Mass, keeping watch in Eucharistic adoration, serving the poor? I’ll bet most of us are shopping and having Christmas parties. Watch and Pray, for we know not when He will come!

New Children's Choir

We are forming a new children's choir for students ages 5-18. Practices will be held on Mondays at 5:45pm and Sundays at 1:15pm. Please meet in the music room at 5:45pm at Star of the Sea School's music room (located on the 3rd floor of the school). Please enter via the North stairs from the parking lot. For more information, please email lorna@starparish.com.

Star School Advent Concert

This week! December 6 at 5pm in the Church the Star of the Sea School will have their Advent Concert. Please join us, for more information call the School.

Simbang Gabi

The Filipino ministry will celebrate the 10th annual commissioning Mass and Parol lighting ceremony on December 5 at 7pm in the St. Mary's Cathedral.



USF Game in honor of Terry Hanley



Parole making with FAASTAR!

Mary's Feast Days

You can't have baby Jesus without his Mother!
December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. There will be an added High Latin Mass at 6:30pm.
December 12 is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. There will be a Mass at 6:30pm, followed by a candlelight procession, Mariachi, and Rosary. Stay for food and a social after the procession.

Eucharistic Adorer

"The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace." - St. John Paul II

Each week we will be posting a new Adoration quote... look forward to it in the next bulletin! Eucharistic Adoration is open from 8am on Tuesdays - 4pm on Saturdays. Please visit our Adoration information table outside the Chapel in the West Entrance of the Church. This past week we started Adoration in the Church during the day from 8am - 5pm and reposed during Masses. All are welcome!

First Friday Masses

This month, December, we started a First Friday Mass at 5:30pm. Our next Mass will be January 5th at 5:30pm. Conditions for this devotion to the Sacred Heart from St. Margaret Alocque are: receiving Communion in the state of grace and having the intention of making reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for all the sinfulness and ingratitude of men.

PRAYER

Day	Time	Intention
Sat 12/2	8:30am 4:30pm	+George Kwok +Rene Ing
Sun 12/3	8am 9:30am 11:30am 5pm 7:30pm	Int. of Arsenio Sumulong Deceased members of Holy Rosary Sodality Int. of Paolina Zago +All Souls +Charles J. Dougherty Int. of Marcos Leon
Mon 12/4	7:30am 12Noon	In thanksgiving of the Guadalupana Group Int. of Fr. Illo's Birthday
Tue 12/5	7:30am 12Noon	In thanksgiving of the Guadalupana Group Int. of Theresa Collins + Jose Enrique Montano
Wed 12/6	7:30am 12Noon	+Harriett Konopaski In thanksgiving of the Guadalupana Group
Thu 12/7	7:30am 12Noon	In thanksgiving of the Guadalupana Group Int of Henry and Grace Prado
Fri 12/8	7:30am 12Noon 5:30pm 6:30pm	In thanksgiving of the Guadalupana Group Int. of Martha Sardelich for healing Int. of Mary Daisy Nevis Int. of Msgr Cornelius Burns
Sat 12/9	8:30am 4:30pm	In thanksgiving of the Guadalupana Group Int. of Francis and Jenny Chow

Please pray for ...

Fr. John
McDermott, Ron
Howes, Leoni
Pryor, Billy
Kennedy, Jenny &
Francis Chow,
Blanca Barahona,
Valerie Chicas,
Valerie Abejuro
Miller, Raquel
Pasco, Sis. Theresa
Grant, Peter
Haramis, Leslie
Weber, Christina
G. Piazio, John
Driscoll, Edna
Herrera, Miles
Sellai, David
Schiessl, David
Talpas, Matthew
Nelson, Cecilia
Conway, Sicily
Guzman,
Anastasia Olbash,
Ben-Hur Palma,
Michael Hughes,
Mary Acdan,
Charde Ford,
James Houghton,
Flora Atento, Tony
Yoshida, Raymond
Ellery, George
Pulizzano, Maria
Fernanda Marcal,
Maryanne
Thompson,
Christian

Ourtague, Pat Hegarty, Johnny Colins, Sam Lahey, Joshua
Cavalier, Manuel Sequeira, Evelyn Gan, Tessie So, Bruce
Pritchard, Mary Guy, Beradi Wang, Suzane Wang, Rosa
Lee, Tina Sanchez, Janice Alden Tom Schatz, Luz King,
Connie Abordo, Jean Brock, David Glennon, Jennifer
Bolla, Dave Vanskiver,

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses:

4:30pm Children's Choir,

10pm Caroling followed by 10:30pm full choir Mass,

12 Midnight Latin Sung High

Christmas Day Masses:

8am with Christmas Carols

9:30am full Choir,

11:30am Latin No 5pm or 7:30pm Masses

New Years Eve:

11:30-12:30am Holy Hour with Benediction

EVENTS

Saturday December 2, **First Saturday Devotions** at the 8:30am Mass

Saturday December 2, **Legion of Mary** 9:30am in the Parish Office.

Sunday December 3, **Advent Begins**

Sunday December 3, **PSR Advent Preparation** after 9:30am Mass in the Auditorium

Monday December 4, **Fr. Joseph Illo's Birthday**

Tuesday December 5, **Simbang Gabi** at 7pm at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

Friday December 8, **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** Solemn High Mass at 6:30pm

Saturday December 9, **Legion of Mary** 9:30am in the Parish Office.

Saturday December 9, **Consecration of California to the Immaculate Heart** 12 noon Mass followed by rosary

Sunday December 10, **Second Sunday in Advent**

Tuesday December 12, **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe** Mass 6:30pm followed by procession and feast

Saturday December 16, **Mothers Group** at 8:30am Mass or after Mass at 9:15am in the Parish Office

Sunday December 17, **Third Sunday in Advent**

Sunday December 17, **Guadalupana Luncheon** after the 11:30am Mass in the courtyard

Monday December 18, **Knights of Columbus** meeting at 7pm in the St. Francis room

Sunday December 24, **PSR Children's Christmas Eve Mass** 4:30pm, 10:30pm Choral Mass, 12 Midnight High Latin Mass

Monday December 25, **Christmas Day** Masses 8am, 9:30am Choral and 11:30 Latin

Sunday December 31, **New Years Eve Holy Hour** 11:30pm - 12:30am followed by a party in the Auditorium

Monday January 1, **Solemnity of the Mother of God** 6:30pm Solemn High Latin Mass

Saturday January 27, **West Coast Walk for Life** 12:30pm, downtown Civic Center

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is a way of life, a life of accountability and responsibility acknowledging God as Creator and Giver of all. **Stewardship** involves responsible management of our God-given resources of **Time** (that is, time spent in prayer before God), **Talent** (our God-given abilities), and **Treasure** (our God-given wealth). Stewards as disciples of Jesus Christ see themselves as caretakers of all God's gifts.

Christmas Drive for the Homeless

For our Christmas drive for the homeless, let's help keep them warm this winter. Our goal is for 100 sets of hats and gloves, mostly for men (75 for men, 25 for women). We need them by Friday, December 15.

Thanksgiving Drive Thanks!

Thank you for helping us meet our goal of 3 barrels FULL of food donations for the homeless in memory of Thomas Myron. A special thanks to all who helped cook thanksgiving meals for the homeless, including the young adults, the Silmaro Family, and Jesusa Yak.

Steward Stats



Time: 252 November Mass envelopes were given for souls



Talent: 2 new people joined RCIA to receive Sacraments this Easter



Treasure: 1st Collection: \$5,952 Thanksgiving: \$ 2,317

Estate Planning: Help our work live on. Please remember us in your will. For information on estate planning, please contact Martin Ford at the parish office.



Young Adults serving the hungry

Giving Tree

Each year, we help Catholic Charities provide gifts for at least 3 of their programs. Please visit our Giving Tree and choose a gift tag or two to help "brighten" up Christmas for a struggling family from St. Joseph's Family Center. Please also consider purchasing a gift or two for adults from the Derek Silva or Peter Claver community who are suffering from a chronic illness and threatened by homelessness. They tend to be forgotten. Please bring your gift offering to the Rectory by Monday, December 18.



Fr. Illo blessing the organ

Advent Magnificat

Magnificats are in! Come by the Parish Office to receive an Advent Magnificat Companion - a perfect way to help prepare for the birth of Christ!

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Beautifying our sacred space	Thelma Queri (415) 751-0450
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Parishioner Registration

Please place this in the offertory basket

- ☐ New Parishioner
- ☐ New Information

Name

Phone

Email

☐ FULL ☐ ASSOCIATE